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RE: Patent Application # 09/542,674

Dear Ms Al-Hashemi:

This correspondence is in response to recent Office communications regarding my application # 09/542,674.

As a result of Office communications mailed to me on 04/14/2008 and on 04/22/2008 in combination with our intermediate telephone interview of 04/18/2008 I understand that despite having canceled claims 1-37 as part of earlier amendments to my patent application; it is also necessary to restate the canceling of those claims as part of the current amendments. I have done so as part of the attached, revised amendments.

Thank you for your explanation during our interview and for your suggestions on renumbering some items to reduce the risk of confusion upon reading my amended claims.

Thank you, as well, for your preliminary review by email of the proposed amendments for correction of earlier non-compliance and general formatting so that we might now proceed to consideration of the invention on its merits.

I look forward to hearing from you and to meeting in person if that should be helpful to advancing this application.

Sincerely,

Graham M. Rouse